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## TF Panther Predator Uncovers Weapons Cache

**HABBANIYAH, IRAQ** – At approximately 1845 on 13 September, Alpha Company 1-110<sup>th</sup> Infantry Outlaw element, discovered munitions buried in the town of Husayba.



While on a focused area patrol, in a known IED emplacement area, members of Alpha's Outlaw platoon found a significant munitions cache. The cache consisted of 27 X 57mm mortar rounds, 1 X 152mm mortar round & 1 X 122mm mortar round. There was also 1 demolition charge and explosive canister, buried with the rounds.

This area, known as "the graveyard" has been used as a storage location for insurgent munitions in the past. Thanks to swift thinking and following your instincts, the Soldiers were

able to excavate yet another illegal weapons cache in the TF Panther area of operations (AO.) Lieutenant Michael Susick of Indiana, PA led the patrol into Husayba. When asked, he credits his Soldiers' keen observations and timely reporting of historic IED markers as the reason for continued success at finding enemy caches. "This particular cache was marked by small white flags in the ground. It takes time for some people to pick up on the typical markers out here. You have to keep your eyes peeled and constantly assess your surroundings. I'm proud of my guys."